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**BY EMAIL & ECF**

Hon. Nicholas G. Garaufis  
United States District Court Judge  
Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Re: United States v. Vincent Basciano  
05 Cr. 60 (S-12) (NGG)

Dear Judge Garaufis:

This letter is submitted in connection with the defendant's list of mitigating factors to be presented to the jury. We respectfully withdraw mitigating factor 6 – Mr. Basciano suffered an abusive childhood.

Respectfully submitted,

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